

## NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

Timely News Culled From All Parts of the State, Reduced for the Busy.

## SCORES OF EVENTS COVERED

Hastings guardsmen are to have a new armory.

The Fairfield community club has one hundred members and is out for more.

Howard county claims the largest chicken hatching industry in Nebraska.

The Annual Encampment of the State G. A. R. will be held at Hastings May 23 to 25.

A near epidemic of influenza and whooping cough is sweeping the vicinity of Callaway.

Fremont jobbers have been restored to equal shipping advantages with Omaha and Lincoln.

Fire in the Johnson drug store at Madison damaged the building and stock to the amount of \$5,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Justus E. Wheeler of Clay Center, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary last week.

The State bank is a new addition to Petersburg business. It is the third financial institution for that place.

Farmers in the vicinity of Rohrs have been reporting the loss of much young stock, presumably by coyotes.

County Clerk F. N. Slasson of Lodgepole has paid out \$810 in coyote bounties for the death of 270 animals.

At a special election held at Verango bonds for the erection of an \$80,000 high school building carried by a vote of 95 to 7.

T. V. Norvell has been appointed United States commissioner for the Norfolk district to succeed the late John R. Hays.

The annual report of State Fire Warden Hartford shows that the loss from fires in Nebraska for 1920 amounted to \$2,679,029.

Mrs. S. A. Page, a 70 year old Page woman, has invented an attachment for a sewing machine which will simplify the twisting of yarn.

Five hundred life insurance men of Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota are expected in Omaha February 15 for an annual congress of agents.

Hubbell is erecting a new community hall, modern and up-to-date in every respect, with a full basement underneath the entire building.

Charles H. Friedrich of Lincoln was elected president of the federation of Nebraska retailers at the Omaha session of the annual convention.

Total cash gifts from Nebraska for American relief of starving children in Europe are \$82,110.94, as announced by G. W. Wattles, state chairman.

Chadron's \$50,000 paving bonds have been sold at Chicago at par. The county commissioners will call an election on \$150,000 road bonds soon.

The high cost of paving and the difficulty of disposing of paving bonds have checked such improvements in most cities and towns of Nebraska.

A recent government report credits Cheyenne county with having produced in 1920 more wheat than any other county in the United States.

It has been decided by the Pawnee city council that paving which was to have been started early in the spring will be postponed until a later date.

Representatives of Oklahoma oil companies have been acquiring leases on tracts between Angola and Bayard and expect to begin operations soon.

E. R. Danielson of Osceola was elected secretary of the Nebraska board of agriculture for the fifth time at the meeting of the board at Lincoln.

Following live stock losses, which farmers say will run into the thousands, a county-wide wolf and coyote hunt is being planned for Table Rock.

Eighteen wolves have been killed in neighborhood hunts near Elwood. The animals have become so numerous that they are annoying and causing much damage to stock.

Nebraska lumber dealers will hold their annual convention in Omaha February 9-10. Last year 850 dealers attended the convention. More are expected this year.

Albert Fluett of Du Bois claims to have a coal vein 12 inches thick in his pasture. For five winters he hauled this Nebraska coal into market in Humboldt and Pawnee.

The first annual birthday party of the Aurora Rotary club was held last week with the wives of Rotarians guests. Stunts of all kinds were pulled off. Every Rotarian with one exception was present.

What is said to be the heaviest baby ever born in Franklin county arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harn H. Harns near Upland. It was a boy and weighed seventeen pounds. It is the ninth child in the family.

Fruit growers of Holt county have begun to express alarm over the present springlike weather. Trees already are showing signs of budding and sap beginning to flow.

Miss Dorothy Davis, instructor in mathematics and girl's physical education at the Columbia high school will teach next year in the Isle of Oahu, one of the Hawaiian group.

The eleventh annual session of the county treasurers of the state was held at York last week.

Willard Hansen, a pioneer resident of North Platte, who was custodian at the high school for thirty-six years, died at a local hospital after an illness of one week.

Having won its right to choose any bid for state building contracts, in an opinion of the Nebraska supreme court, the state board of control has announced that it will readvertise for bids on the new hospital at the Milford soldiers' home, for which the last legislature appropriated \$100,000.

The American Legion at Cozad has begun a drive for 100 per cent membership. An athletic carnival netted nearly \$200.

Several gallons of liquor taken by the sheriff and police force in Blair in raids during the past few days have been destroyed.

An attempt to revive the Baptist church at Ord, which has been closed for nearly two years, is being made by the Rev. M. Edson.

Dean Foucht, employee at the state hospital for the insane at Lincoln, was accidentally electrocuted while cleaning a boiler in the power house.

Burglars took 45,000 cigarettes, 200 cigars and 210 pounds of tobacco from the Raymond Bros. Grocery house at Lincoln one night last week.

Fairmont is making an effort to secure the headquarters of a machine gun company. The project is being pushed principally by ex-service men.

Everett Heier of Murdock suffered the loss of his left eye when a piece of cartridge, which he had exploded with a hammer, penetrated the member.

Horses and cattle sold at the Kemp sale near Wynmore brought high prices, according to sale officials. Cows brought from \$70 to \$87.50; a team sold for \$325.

Arrangements are about completed for the annual state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which will be held in Columbus March 15, 16 and 17.

Robert Arthur Grothe, a 9 year old Lincoln boy, was instantly killed when a heavy coal truck backed over his body after the lad had hooked his sled on the auto for a ride.

A heavy blanket of snow now lies over most of the winter wheat of Nebraska and the farmers are rejoicing. The downfall was much lighter in the eastern section than in the west.

Grain is moving now at the rate of over ten million bushels a month from Nebraska. Nearly three hundred cars a day are being handled by the Burlington's Nebraska district and the other roads report an increased run of grain.

D. Burr Jones, state director of the Near East Relief, has announced that corn for shipment to Armenia and the Holy land will be accepted by the organization, if there are farmers in Nebraska who desire to contribute to the relief.

A half dozen Hastings merchants are holding checks given them by a stranger, but which the bank refuses to cash because the gentleman has no funds on deposit. Meanwhile he has disappeared.

Dan Redmond, a farmer residing near Oconto, suffered a double fracture of the left leg, between the ankle and the knee, when the horse he was riding fell and caught the member beneath his body.

Mrs. Mary A. Caldwell, who has been chosen president of the board of trustees for the Odd Fellows' home at York, has been a member of the board for fifteen years, and has devoted much time to the interests of the institution and its charges.

His mind unbalanced as a result of a hallucination that he was being haunted by spirits, Robert J. Dauphiney, a painter, shot himself through the right temple in a room at an Omaha hotel. Death was instantaneous.

Millon Kreifels, a resident of Paul, a village south of here, was seriously injured when a ladder which he was using to take chickens from a tree slipped and he fell across a wagon wheel, breaking his left wrist and several ribs.

A committee of citizens at Wareham have asked the railway commission to require the Burlington road to maintain an agent and furnish a depot for that place. Freight is billed to and from Randolph, a station five miles away.

Examination of the stomach of Gus Barlike, who died at Norfolk recently, supposedly from drinking poisonous whisky, disclosed the fact that there was considerable wood alcohol in the organ, according to word from the state university medical hospital.

Half the \$700,000 state hail insurance losses incurred in 1920 will be paid on February 15, under arrangements worked out by Governor McKelvie and State Auditor Marsh. The remainder will be held until collection of all state taxes.

Merchants of Wynmore, through the Community club, are asking for a re-rating of insurance in the business district. They believe that \$6,000 annually can be saved because of the improvement in fire prevention methods since the last rating was made four years ago. There were but five fires here last year.

The Nebraska agricultural experiment station at the college of agriculture now claims one of the best dairy herds in the country. In the twenty years of its existence it has developed eight cows that produced an average of 903 pounds of butter in one year.

H. H. Sheldon of Columbus, who recently had a fine bunch of cattle at the South Omaha stock yards, said there would be an increased swine production in his neighborhood next spring as nearly all of the farmers in that section are breeding more sows for spring farrowing than they have for several years.

The Big Seven racing circuit has been organized with Fred Laniers of Winner, president, and Charles Trimble, Omaha, secretary. Omaha dates for the race are June 3 to 10, inclusive. Other towns are Harrington, Winner, Bonesteel, Bassett, O'Neill and Neligh.

The retiring of all automobile license fees by the county in which they are collected with the exception of 5 per cent which would be turned over to the state for administrative purposes, was favored by the eleventh annual convention of Nebraska county treasurers at its recent session at York.

## MAKE RIGHT USE OF RABBIT SKIN

Value Depends Greatly on Their Condition and Are Always in Good Demand.

## DIRECTIONS FOR PREPARING

Department of Agriculture Bulletin Tells How to Skin, Stretch and Tan—Preferable to Sell to Local Fur Buyer.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Rabbit skins should always be saved, as they have a value, depending on their condition and are regularly in demand by scientists of the biological survey, United States Department of Agriculture. A skin may be prepared for market with less trouble than is required to bury it. It has only to be drawn flesh side out, over a piece of thin board or No. 9 gauge galvanized wire, shaped to give it a uniform tension, and hung in a shady, well-ventilated place, such as an open shed, until it becomes bone dry. Artificial heat should not be used to dry skins if it is possible to dry them otherwise before there is danger of their becoming sour or moldy. Usually after hanging a week or 10 days skins may be removed from stretchers.

Skinner the Rabbit.

An experienced hand can skin a rabbit in less than one minute. With a sharp-pointed knife slit the rabbit from one heel past the under side of the tail to the other heel. Then twist each hind foot until the knee sticks out through the slit in the skin. Pass the fingers between the muscle and the skin to separate them and break the skin at the base of the tail so that the bone may be pulled through them, thus stripping off the skin. It is then convenient to hang the carcass by the hamstrings as high as the operator's head, from iron pins driven eight inches apart into a horizontal scantling. By using the knife a little around the flanks, shoulders, eyes, and hips and by severing the ears from the skull, the skin may be stripped from the body, inside out, as a glove is turned from a hand. If care is taken the skin may be removed whole, thus preserving the pelt and at the same time leaving no hairs on the meat.

Unless one is killing a great many rabbits, it is usually preferable to sell the dried skins to a local fur buyer, who will bale and ship for several producers. When there are a large number of skins they may be piled

between upright scantlings as stove wood is piled and kept thus until enough have accumulated to make a bale. They should then be baled under lever or screw pressure, securely bound, and covered with burlap for shipment.

If rabbit skins are intended for home use and not for sale, they may be tanned.

A good tanning liquor is composed of one quart of salt and one-half ounce of sulphuric acid to each gallon of water. As the acid corrodes metal, this liquid should be kept in a glass or wooden container. Rabbit skins will be tanned in this mixture in from three to four days, but they may be kept in it for a longer time without injury.

Drying the Skins.

When removed from the tanning liquor skins should be washed several times in soapy water, wrung as dry as possible, thoroughly rubbed on the flesh side with a cake of hard soap, folded in the middle lengthwise over a line, hair side out, and left to dry. When both outer surfaces are barely dry and the interior is still moist, the skins should be laid over a smooth, rounded board or plank and scraped on the flesh side with the edge of a worn flat file or other blunt-edged tool. In this way an inner layer of tissue is removed and the skins become nearly white in color. They should then be stretched, rubbed, and twisted until quite dry. If parts of a skin are still hard or stiff, it should be returned to the tanning solution and the process repeated until the entire skin is soft. Fresh butter or other animal fat worked into skins while they are warm and then worked out again in dry hardwood sawdust, or extracted by hasty bath in gasoline, increases their softness. Home-dressed skins should be matched for color before being made up into garments.

Make Use of Fanning Mill.

Get out your fanning mill and clean your seed grains. Clean seed pays.

## WINTER GOOSE FEEDS OF MUCH IMPORTANCE

Oats Are Considered Superior to Corn for Grain.

Like Cows the Fowls Need Plenty of Fodder and They Will Eat Silage and Gather Considerable Food From Corn Fodder.

Oats are a better grain feed than corn for carrying the geese through the winter. Corn should be used sparingly as geese fatten easily and if the birds are overfat the eggs will show a low percentage of fertility.

Geese are much like cows in needing plenty of fodder. The clover chaff gathered from around the mangers is relished by geese. They will eat silage and gather considerable food from corn fodder. In fact, any green food that is suitable for dairy cows helps out in the winter ration of the flock.

A flock of geese can stand much

cold and they will often range on stormy days when it would be unsafe to allow the hens out. But at night a dry roosting place is needed that is free from draughts.

It pays to cull the geese in the fall and keep only the best for breeding stock. The money from geese seems to come from raising a large number while the grass is plentiful and then culling in on the bulk of the flock before winter increases the work of caring for them. A small flock of broilers will annually produce a large flock of market geese if they are so managed that the eggs are strongly fertile and plenty of setting hens are available for brooding the first eggs.

In the winter the geese will be healthier if they are held in moderate flesh and not overfed. They cannot be neglected one day and then stuffed the next day if the best results are expected. Examine the birds every few weeks and note the condition of the body. Because of the heavy plumage it is sometimes difficult to tell the condition without handling.

Farmers Are Realizing More and More That Nothing But Purebred Geese Should Be Considered.

Most Persons With Little Practice Can Undertake Ordinary Repair Work Necessary.

The best, safest and most economical plan to prevent future extensive injury and decay, or to prevent the early disfigurement or death of the tree, is to attend to all injuries as soon as they occur, say specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture. This kind of work is comparatively simple and inexpensive. Tree surgery has become an established industry in all cities, and it is often profitable to employ the services of those trained in this work, but most persons can, with a little preliminary practice on the simpler types of work, undertake ordinary tree repair provided they are familiar with the use of the gouge and mallet, a saw, and a paintbrush. A steady hand and ability to climb will be necessary for work in the top of a tree.

MANY SCIONS ON ONE TREE

Novel Example of Tree Grafting Is Found in Orchards of Ohio Experiment Station.

A novel example of tree grafting is found in the orchards of the Ohio experiment station where an original Ben Davis tree contains 400 scions. Each scion is a representative of seedling or variety of apple trees found in many parts of Ohio. The grafts are made to secure a short-cut way of testing many of the seedling apples found in Ohio. The fruit from each graft is gathered and is tested out for appearance, quality, marketing and culinary qualities.

INVESTIGATE UNUSUAL NOISE

Excellent Plan for Truck Drivers to Ascertain Cause of All Queer Knocks and Squeaks.

Truck drivers should be taught to investigate any unusual noises immediately they are heard. Neglect or delay may make later investigation useless. For instance, an immediate investigation of a noisy differential, followed by a thorough cleaning and filling with fresh oil, may save the cost of new gears and bearings. And this applies in a hundred other parts of the mechanism.

## Prominent Western Man Praises Tanlac



G. W. Logan, Peabody, Kansas

"Tanlac has completely restored my health and I feel finer than in years," was the straightforward statement made recently by Mr. George W. Logan of Peabody, Kansas, one of the most prominent stock-dealers in the Middle West.

"It has not only made a new man of me but I have actually gained thirty-five pounds in weight and feel as well as I ever did in my life. I am telling all of my friends about Tanlac, but they can see for themselves what it has done in my case."

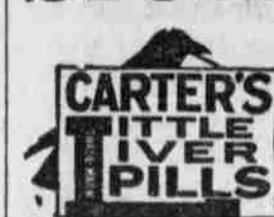
"When I began taking Tanlac I was in an awfully run-down condition. I was away off in weight, felt weak and nervous all of the time and couldn't take any interest in my work or any-

thing else. My main trouble was indigestion. Nothing seemed to agree with me. At times I would have dizzy spells and at other times my back would ache so bad that I could hardly get up and down in my chair. This is just the condition I was in when I started to take this medicine. It took just six bottles to make a well man of me. I now have a fine appetite, everything tastes good and my digestion is perfect."

"My wife was also troubled with indigestion at times and it relieved her the same way. You may publish my statement wherever you like and if anyone doubts it, just tell them to see me."

Tanlac is sold by leading druggists everywhere.

## What to Do for SICK HEADACHE



Take a good dose of Carter's Little Liver Pills—then take 2 or 3 for a few nights after. A few doses restore your organs to their proper functions and the Headache and the causes of it pass away. In the same manner They regulate the Bowels and prevent Constipation. Genuine bear signature—Small Pill; Small Dose; Small Price

## Many a Pretty Face Spoiled by Pimples

Not only are these pimples and blotches disfiguring, but they lead to serious skin diseases that spread and cause the most discomforting irritation and pain. Sometimes they foretell Eczema, boils, blisters, scaly eruptions and other annoyances that burn like flames of fire, and make you feel that your skin is ablaze.

If you are afflicted with this form of skin disease do not expect Perseverance often accomplishes more than power.

Important to Mothers Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, that famous old remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the signature of J. C. Fitch.

In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

An ancestor-bragging contest is the most relentless.

A cup of Garfield Tea before retiring will next day relieve your system gently and thoroughly of all impurities.—Adv.

Some eloquent sermons are wordless.

If one undertakes to scold in public, he is astonished to find how silent the public can be.

WOMEN! USE "DIAMOND DYES" Dye Old Skirts, Dresses, Waists, Coats, Stockings, Draperies—Everything.

Each package of "Diamond Dyes" contains easy directions for dyeing any article of wool, silk, cotton, linen, or mixed goods. Beware! Poor dye streaks, spots, fades, and ruins material by giving it a "dye-look." Buy "Diamond Dyes" only. Druggist has Color Card.—Adv.

Money Invested in knowledge pays the best interest.

Kill That Cold With HILL'S CASCARA QUININE BROMIDE AND La Grippe

Neglected Colds are Dangerous Take no chances. Keep this standard remedy handy for the first sneeze. Breaks up a cold in 24 hours—Relieves Grippe in 3 days—Excellent for Headache

Quinine in this form does not affect the head—Cascara is best Tonic Laxative—No Opium in Hill's.

ALL DRUGGISTS SELL IT